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1. [redacted] five troop trains from Satzkorn and one train each from Fuerstenwalde, Zehdenick, Jueterbog and Forst Zinna were dispatched to the Gardelegen-Letzlingen area between 25 and 27 September. During the same period, four shipments went from Wismar to Wudicke. One shipment each went from Dranse and Questrow to Jerichow on 23 September and one from Jueterbog to Haldensleben on 27 September.
2. Three troop trains passed through the Schoenhausen railroad station, enroute toward Jerichow, on 27 September. One of the trains carried 45 tanks while the others were loaded with motor vehicles of the 3rd Shock Army. Seven or eight troop trains loaded with tanks, AA guns and artillery are said to have proceeded daily toward Jerichow, where they were unloaded, since 24 September. Other shipments have proceeded eastward via Schoenhausen, some of them being unloaded at Wudicke.
3. The Magdeburg Regional Railroad Headquarters announced that on 25 and 26 September and again after 29 September, loadings and unloadings of Soviet troop trains would take place at the following railroad stations: Wolmirstedt, Muhlwinkel, Tangerhuetten, Haldensleben, Hillersleben, Gross Wudicke, Jerichow, Genthin, Magdeburg-Brueckfeld, Stendal, Tangermuende, Jaevenitz and Quedlinburg-Quarmbach.¹
4. Troops leaving the Wustrow AAA firing range were continually entrained at the Kroepelin, Neubukow and Wismar railroad stations between 11 and 24 September.
5. [redacted] the troop trains leaving the Neubukow 50X1-HUM and Kroepelin railroad stations included three shipments to Chemnitz and Breitenbrunn on 21 September, two shipments to Dessau on 23 September and one shipment to Dresden-Klotzsche on 23 September.

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1. [redacted] Comment: A major three-day exercise involving units of the 3rd Shock Army

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and the 10th Guards Tank Division and 63rd AAA Division of the 4th Guards Mechanized Army apparently began in the northern section of Letzling Heath in the Rathenow area on about 26 September.

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